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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SYRIAN JEWS

1. IN SEVERAL RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH VISITING AMERICAN VIPS, FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON HAS, OF COURSE, RAISED THE SUBJECT OF SYRIAN JEWS WITHIN CONTEXT OF DESCRIBING THEIR PLIGHT AND DESIRE TO IMMIGRATE. ALLON HAS NOTED THAT THE SYRIANS ARE APPARENTLY REFUSING TO ALLOW JEWS TO LEAVE FOR FEAR THAT THEY WOULD ALL GO TO ISRAEL TO " SWELL THE RANKS OF THE ENEMY." ALLON HAS REFUTED THIS ARGUMENT BY NOTING THAT CANADA HAS AGREED TO TAKE ENTIRE SYRIAN JEWISH COMMUNITY OF BETWEEN 4500-5000.

2. COMMENT: THIS IS THE FIRST WE HAD HEARD OF ANY SUCH CANADIAN OFFER.
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